

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This application has been carefully considered in connection with the Examiner's Office Action dated September 20, 2006. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the following.

Summary of Rejections/Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, and 3-18 were pending at the time of the Office Action.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 12 and 13 were rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Bray et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,577,113) in view of *Li* (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0202310 A1).

Claims 5-11 were objected to.

Claims 14-18 were allowed.

Summary of Response

Claims 4 and 5 were amended.

Claims 1, 3, 12 and 13 were cancelled.

Claim 2 was previously cancelled.

Claims 6-11, and 15-18 remain as originally submitted.

Claim 14 remains as previously amended.

Remarks and Arguments are provided below.

Summary of Claims Pending

Claims 4-11 and 14-18 are pending following this response.

Response to Rejections under Section 103

Claims 1, 3, 4, 12 and 13 were rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Bray et al.* (US Patent 5,577,113) in view of *LI* (US Patent Publication No. 2004/0202310 A1). The Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections.

Claims 1, 3, 12 and 13 have been cancelled.

Claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 5, which should now be allowable, and claim 4 should be allowable as a dependent claim.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of claims 14-18.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 5-11 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 5 has been rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of claims 3 and 1 from which it depended. Since claims 6-11 depend from claim 5, they should be allowable as dependent claims.

Claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 5 and should be allowable as a dependent claim.

In view of the above remarks, the Applicant requests allowance of claims 4-11 and 14-18.

CONCLUSION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any further fees associated with any of the foregoing papers submitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment thereof, to Deposit Account No. 21-0765, Sprint.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present application as amended is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or comments or otherwise feels it would be helpful in expediting the application, he is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (972) 731-2288.

Respectfully submitted,

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